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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700

In re Application of:

Gary K. Michelson, M.D.

Serial No.: 09/618,036

Filed: July 17, 2000

For: ANTERIOR CERVICAL PLATING
SYSTEM, INSTRUMENTATION, AND
METHOD OF INSTALLATION

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) Group Art Unit: 3731
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) Examiner: D. Reip
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated August 5, 2002, please amend the application
as follows:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant affirms the election of the
screw of Species 1, as shown in Fig. 24B. Claims 538-541, 543-546 and newly added
claims 547-777 are readable thereon.

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read (with changes shown in the Attachment) as
follows:

✓ -ANTERIOR CERVICAL PLATING SYSTEM AND BONE SCREW--.

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